

New Grading System Tried By Dean Allen

Grades Not to Be Put On Journalism Papers

Students Should Measure Their Work by Constructive Improvement Rate

A new experiment in grading will be attempted by Dean Eric W. Allen in his elementary journalism class for the rest of the term. Class papers will be copy read as usual, but no grades will be marked; so that students will take note of the constructive criticism made of their work.

Dean Allen believes that perhaps instead of the students merely glancing at the grade and casting the papers aside, they will take time to read the criticisms, to wonder how seriously the mistakes were regarded by the copyreader. In pondering over the mistakes, students will be more than likely to improve, or at least not to repeat the same errors.

In declaring that an independent attitude toward education had been created, "I think that perhaps we, the faculty, are to blame," he said. "We regard grades almost as currency." The dean believes that the work itself should be of paramount importance instead of grades.

The present method of grading tends to set a low grade average for the class, Allen said. "A" students usually do not try to improve—the cease of worry and acquire an "easy-going attitude," which an influence on the rest of the class. If a student gets a grade above this low class average, he thinks he is all right—he gets comfort from the knowledge that he is above average. "A" students, as well as other students, should be constantly trying to improve their work. Allen hopes that through this experiment, students will measure their work by the rate of improvement rather than the grade. Grades will be recorded and announced at the middle and end of the term.

If the experiment works, the dean intends to follow the system the "rest of his teaching career."

Under the MIKROSCOPE

By JIMMY MORRISON

THE "Rhythm Girls," NBC vocal trio, heard from New York, each enjoy the distinction of being an accomplished pianist. All three were part of a vaudeville act featuring eight pianos before they discovered their voices blended, which resulted in their air debut with Paul Whiteman's joint. Paul also started the "Rhythm Boys."

Lawrence (Oscar) Wagner, trumpet player and director of Johnny Robinson's band, is making quite a name for himself among band leaders all over the country. He has written arrangements for Casa Loma, Don Bestor, Guy Lombardo (that's their one good tune), Ben Bernie, and others. Oscar has had offers to go to New York and write stock arrangements—the ones that every little band in the country buy to play, like Holman and Burr—but Johnny has him under an iron-clad contract for five years. "Oscar Waow Waow," as Robinson's boys often chose to call him, played legit solo trumpet here on the campus a few years ago.

Guy Lombardo has 11 men in his band, but no fiddlers. That's a point in his favor, because as a rule fiddlers drag over the notes and don't let the band go to town in its best style.

Harry Barris, member of Paul Whiteman's original Rhythm Boys and composer of hits including "Little Dutch Mill," "I surrender Dear," "Lies," and a host of others, will be master of ceremonies at a new San Francisco night club opening May 17. No radio connection has yet been announced, but KYA is acting sponsor for personal appearances.

Al Pearce's piano team of Jacqueline Areyer and Earl Hatch harmonize so well at the keyboard

COLONIAL

STARTS TONIGHT—Hollywood Preview of House of Mystery

(Temporary Title) GINGER ROGERS in "DON'T BET ON LOVE"

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Society

MARY LOUISE EDINGER, Editor

SATURDAY evening will be the scene of numerous and sundry sorority and fraternity dances. During the middle of the week exchange desserts play a prominent part in the social life of the University.

Exchange Desserts
Numerous exchange desserts are scheduled for the middle of this week. Tonight Phi Delta Theta will entertain Kappa Alpha Theta, Kappa Sigma will entertain Gamma Phi Beta, Kappa Kappa Gamma, Beta Theta Pi; and Kappa Kappa Gamma to Beta Theta Pi. Tomorrow night Phi Mu will entertain Phi Delta Theta and Sigma Alpha Epsilon, Sigma Kappa.

Miss Endicott to Wed
The engagement of Ellen Endicott, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E. R. Endicott, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E. R. Endicott of this city, was announced Friday evening at a formal dinner at the Tiny Tavern. Miss Endicott will be married in June to George Audren Ammann, son of O. H. Ammann of Boonton, New Jersey.

Miss Endicott will graduate this spring from the University. Mr. Ammann is working for his doctor's degree in Ornithology at the University of Michigan. She is a member of Kappa Delta and he of Sigma Pi. They will make their home in the east.

Phi Kappa Psi to Entertain
Members of Phi Kappa Psi will entertain the faculty with a formal dinner Thursday night. The guests will be Dean and

Mrs. Virgil D. Earl, Dr. and Mrs. C. L. Schwering, Dean and Mrs. Karl Onthank, Mr. and Mrs. S. Stephenson Smith, Joseph Angel, Mary Jean Warner, Mr. and Mrs. W. F. G. Thacher, and Mr. and Mrs. Frank Chambers.

Anniversary to be Celebrated
Sigma Kappa will celebrate this evening with a dinner in honor of their house's birthday. Members and alumni will be present at the dinner which is to be held at the chapter house.

Carmen Elaise is in charge of the arrangements.

Chi Psi to Entertain
Stanley Haberlach is in charge of the Chi Psi upperclass dinner to be given Thursday evening at the chapter house.

Banquet to be Given
The members of Beta Phi Alpha will be guests of the Corvallis chapter at the Founder's Day banquet next Sunday.

Betrothal Announced
The engagement of Caroline Card, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John S. Card of Portland, to Marshall Wright, son of Mayor and Mrs. George F. Wright of Honolulu, was announced last night at a dinner at the Alpha Phi house. After dinner the Kappa Sigma house of which Mr. Wright is a member was invited in for dancing. They entertained with Hawaiian music.

Miss Card is a member of Alpha Phi and Mortar Board. The couple will be married in the fall and will reside in Honolulu.

Scanning the Cinemas

McDonald—"Men in White," Clark Gable, Myrna Loy, Elizabeth Allen. Also "You're Telling Me," W. C. Fields, Larry, "Buster" Crabbe, Joan Marsh.

Colonial—"Don't Bet on Love," Lew Ayres, Ginger Rogers. Also mystery picture preview. Name not announced.

By J. A. NEWTON
About Operations
I am blessed, or am I cursed?—with a roommate who thinks he'll be a doctor some day. He attended "Men in White" Monday and came home to report that the operation scene looked very authentic.

The way they spend money on movies it is no wonder that they are occasionally accurate. In a case such as "Men in White" they usually hire a real physician to tell them how such scenes should be done, and to pass their okay on the finished product.

The most interesting part of it was the preparation for the operation, in which the docs and nurses washed their hands and disinfected themselves thoroughly.

Story about a young interne who is torn between love for his pro-

that in Portland the other day they became Mr. and Mrs.

Joe Darby, Phi Delta Theta pianist, played interpretations of the leading bands' signature songs while Ralph Schomp smoothly told the radio audience about them yesterday over KORE.

Tune in today at 4:30 for Delta Tau Delta's program. Fred McKinney and the Delt trio will probably be the nucleus of the broadcast.

LETTER FROM VILLARD FLAYS MILITARY DRILL

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tends to destroy individual initiative.

"Certainly, as I have said before," Mr. Villard writes, "there are infrequently better ways of using the money expended by the federal government. But if the federal government will not come to the support of higher education as it should in this national emergency, then at least let the colleges and universities refrain from wasting the time and effort now bestowed upon training for war when the whole moral and spiritual world is doing its utmost to abolish that institution, rightly called the "sum of all villainies," from this earth. The preparation for it can never be anything else than instruction in an anti-moral, anti-social, and anti-Christian form of human behavior."

Villard's deep interest in the University of Oregon and his concern over its welfare has now been twice demonstrated since his visit here. In The Nation of March 25, he devoted an entire page to a signed editorial article, lamenting the financial difficulties of American higher education, as exemplified by conditions in Oregon institutions.

POLLS TO OPEN AT 9 FOR QUEEN ELECTION

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campus for three quarters of an hour. The newly elected queen will be

Kwama Pledges Freshman Coeds At Mortar Board

19 Outstanding Women Selected To Service Honorary a Feature of Ball

Nineteen outstanding freshman women were chosen at the Mortar Board ball to become members of Kwama, sophomore women's service honorary. They were selected on service, leadership, scholarship, and democracy.

During the intermission the girls were tapped, a red rose was pinned on their shoulders, and they were led under an arch of swords formed by members of Skull and Dagger. They then received a pledge ribbon from Hazel P. Schwering, dean of women, Alice B. Macduff, assistant dean of women, and Adele Sheehy, president of the organization.

Pledges to Kwama are as follows: Starla Parvin, Bette Church, Dorothy Hagge, Glendolene Vinyard, Lillian England, Elaine Comish, Eleanor French, Louise Latham, Martha McCall, Marian Johnson, Cynthia Cornell, Thelma Cook, Marjorie Will, Betty Coon, Lee Chapman, Mildred Blackburn, Dorothy Dill, Marjorie Kissing, Margery Lee Morse.

Present members of Kwama are planning a luncheon in honor of the new pledges some time this week.

Pre-law Students Hear Faculty Talk

About 30 pre-legal students, mostly sophomores and juniors who plan to enter law school next year, attended the pre-legal association's final meeting of the year last night and heard four members of the law faculty describe the various freshman courses in law.

Carlton E. Spencer described the first year course in legal bibliography, stressing the importance of knowing how and where to find information. Paul E. Raymond described the freshman course in torts; Charles G. Howard discussed the course in contracts; and Orlando J. Hollis described both the courses in common law procedure and criminal law.

Last night's meeting was the fourth meeting that the pre-legal

Deadline for Payment On Third Installment Of Fees Is Noon May 5

Payment of third installments on spring term fees should be made by Saturday noon, May 5, it was announced yesterday from the business offices in Johnson hall.

Conditions for the payment of these sums will be the same as formerly, with 25 cents being charged students for every day after next Saturday that fees are not paid, until the final deadline May 12.

group has held this year. At each of their meetings the future lawyers heard speakers who gave them an insight into law school study and the legal profession. This year's officers were Orval Thompson, president; Bill Schloth, vice-president; and Nora Hitchman, secretary.

Scientist Seeks Atoms In Dungeons of Deady

Wires! Batteries! Mirrors! Bottles—labeled poison! A dark dungeon to study light rays. All this fantastic and weird equipment in order to experiment with tiny, unseen atoms.

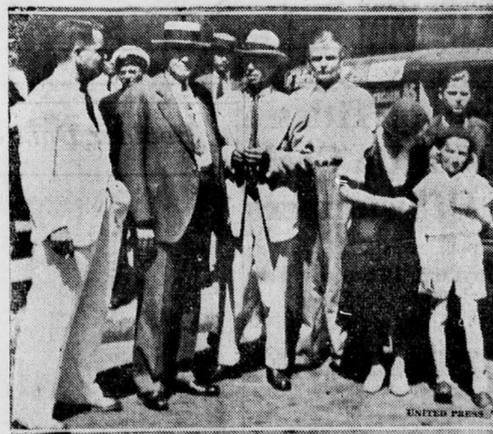
"We have an idea, if we can only get it to work," said Dr. Norris.

Recent Books Arrive For Library Shelves

Among the recent fiction and non-fiction arrivals at the old lib are "Smirt" by Branch Cabell; "My House of Life" by Jessie B. Rittenhouse; "Bird of Dawning" by John Masefield; "Postman Always Rings" by James M. Cain; "The Oppermanns" by Lion Feuchtwanger; "Here Today and Gone" by Louis Bromfield; "The New Dealers" by unofficial observers; "Long Remember" by MacKinlay Kantor; and "The Then Man" by Dashiell Hammett.

"Lon Remember" is the Literary Guild's selection for the month.

Breaks South American Trail



William Seymour, American, is shown above as he arrived in Rio de Janeiro after an automobile trip which began at Panama, and blazed a trail down the west coast of South America to the Magellan straits and up the east coast to Brazil. Often he was forced to dig temporary roads, and resort to dynamite in order to get through the jungle. On the left is Gesford F. Fine, United Press manager in Brazil; Samuel Todd Lee, United States consul general; Seymour, Brydon Taves of the U. P. and Mrs. Seymour, and William Seymour Jr.

Graduate Office Gets Lists of USC Field Expeditions

High Sierra Glacier, and Rainbow Bridge-Monument Valley Trips To Cover Southwest

The announcement of the 1934 field expeditions sponsored by the University of California, covering 3500 miles of territory this summer from June 9 to August 13, has been received at the graduate division office in Johnson hall, recently.

The High Sierra Glacier and the Rainbow Bridge—Monument Valley expeditions—will cover a great part of the Southwest to pursue research in geology, topography, ethnology, archaeology and other sciences with a personnel of 10 specialists and a group of advanced university students or

members of teaching staff, yet to be selected.

"This is not a deluxe expedition," emphasizes the pamphlet, "Each member of the party must expect to bear his share of camp duties such as gathering firewood, 'rounding up' pack animals, helping in the commissary department, etc."

Qualifications for membership in the expeditions are based on physical health, technical or scientific knowledge, camping experience and the will to work. Cost of the entire field period will be about \$315, it is stated.

These are the seventh and eighth expeditions organized and sent into the field for scientific exploration by Ansel Franklin Hall, chief of the division of education and forestry of the national park service.

Application blanks may be obtained by writing Hall at 333 Hildgard Hall, University of California, Berkeley.

California School Representative to Speak on Aviation

Graduate of Boeing Will Present Program on Development Of Air Industry

Don Walker, field representative for the Boeing school of aeronautics at Oakland, California, will present an aeronautical program in Condon hall lecture room, Monday evening, May 7, it was announced by Karl W. Onthank, dean of personnel administration, yesterday.

Motion pictures will be shown, recent developments in the aviation industry and the vocational opportunities it offers well trained men will be discussed by Walker, who is a graduate of the Boeing school, and has been engaged in aviation for several years as a transport pilot. Time will also be available for any questions students may care to ask.

Presiding at the meeting, which is open to all students interested in aeronautics, will be Warren D. Smith, professor of geology and geography.

Haakon Hammer Visits on Campus

Haakon H. Hammer, explorer, lecturer, syndicate writer, and representative of the Price Radio bureau of Los Angeles, was on the campus Tuesday on business.

The Price Radio bureau is an association which controls news broadcasts, and is composed of the Associated Press, United Press, International News Service, Universal News Service, and radio companies. The news services and broadcasting companies co-operate in presenting news twice a day, at 9:30 a. m. and 9 p. m.

Hammer announced that there would be no objection to the series of news broadcasts given by Dean Eric W. Allen's editing class, which was discontinued last term. Having accompanied Roald Amundsen on his North Pole expedition in 1921-1925, Hammer lectured and syndicated polar stories. He interviewed Mussolini in 1924, and plans to travel to Berlin in September.

Hammer left for Portland where he will attend a conference on telegraphic tolls for distances.

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